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1. THE FOLLOWING IS LATEST VERSION OF ARTICLE 86 BIS
WHICH IS A NEW PROPOSAL BY MEXICO DESIGNED TO PROVIDE A CONTIN-
UING FORUM FOR CONSIDERATION OF WEAPONS ISSUES IN THE LAW OF WAR
CONTEXT:

BEGIN TEXT:

1. AT THE EARLIEST OPPORTUNITY A COMMITTEE OF STATES
PARTIES TO THIS PROTOCOL SHALL BE ESTABLISHED TO CONSIDER
AND ADOPT RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING ANY PROPOSAL THAT
ONE OR MORE STATE PARTIES MAY SUBMIT CONCERNING THE
PROHIBITION OR RESTRICTION OF THE USE OF CONVENTIONAL
WEAPONS THAT MAY CAUSE SUPERFLUOUS INJURIES OR HAVE
INDISCRIMINATE EFFECTS.

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2. THE COMMITTEE SHALL BE COMPOSED OF ... MEMBERS,
ELECTED ON THE BASIS OF EQUITABLE REGIONAL DIS-
TRIBUTION BY THE STATES PARTIES TO THIS PROTOCOL BY
MEANS OF NOTICES ADDRESSED TO THE DEPOSITARY GOVERN-
MENT. THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE COMMITTEE SHALL BE RE-
NEWABLE EVERY THREE YEARS; IT SHALL MEET WHENEVER

ONE THIRD OF ITS MEMBERS SO REQUEST; IT SHALL ADOPT ITS RECOMMENDATIONS BY MAJORITY AND SHALL ELECT ITS CHAIRMAN.

3. THE INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE OF THE RED CROSS SHALL PARTICIPATE IN THE WORK OF THE COMMITTEE REFERRED TO IN THIS ARTICLE, AND SHALL PROVIDE THE NECESSARY SECRETARIAL FACILITIES.

4. ON THE BASIS OF THE COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATIONS ANY STATE PARTY MAY CONVENE A SPECIAL CONFERENCE WITH A VIEW TO ADOPTING AGREEMENTS FOR IMPLEMENTING THE PRINCIPLE THAT THE PARTIES TO THE CONFLICT DO NOT HAVE AN UNLIMITED RIGHT OF CHOICE OF MEANS OF WARFARE.

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